

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2006-130-S

UNITED UTILITY COMPANIES, INC. – APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE TRANSFER OF ITS SEWER UTILITY SYSTEM AND TERRITORY SERVING THE GEM LAKES SUBDIVISION IN AIKEN COUNTY TO THE CITY OF AIKEN

Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-5-210 (1976) and 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-704 (Supp. 2005), United Utility Companies, Inc. (“UUC”) has filed an Application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) for approval of a proposed transfer of the Company’s sewer utility system and territory serving the Gem Lakes subdivision in Aiken County to the City of Aiken.

In support of its Application, UUC asserts, among other things, that the public interest will be served by a transfer of this system to the City of Aiken because customers have approved the transfer by referendum and because by combining collection and treatment portions of sewer services, as well as utilizing the municipality’s existing infrastructure, the City of Aiken will be able to reduce costs to the average consumer.

A copy of the Application is on file in the offices of the Public Service Commission of South Carolina, 101 Executive Center Drive, Synergy Business Park, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, the Commission’s website at www.psc.sc.gov and is available from John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Petition. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at a hearing concerning these matters should notify, in writing, the Docketing Department at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff, Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211 and John M. S. Hoefer, Esquire, Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416 on or before **June 15, 2006**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2006-130-S.*

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a Party of Record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, on or before **June 15, 2006**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. *Please refer to Docket No. 2006-130-S.*

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before **June 15, 2006**. *Please refer to Docket No. 2006-130-S.*

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission’s Procedures should contact the Commission in Columbia at 803-896-5100.

Public Service Commission of South Carolina
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